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SUBJECT: ANOTHER DEMONSTRATION REQUESTING U.S. EVACUATION AID

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1. THE MORNING OF JUNE 10 APPROXIMATELY 100-150 WHITE PORTUGUESE DEMONSTRATED IN FRONT OF THE CONSULATE IN SUPPORT OF THEIR REQUEST THAT THE U.S. EVACUATE THEM FROM ANGOLA. THIS SECOND DEMONSTRATION WAS ONLY ABOUT HALF THE SIZE OF THEIR FIRST EFFORT (REFTEL). I MET WITH THE ORGANIZERS WHILE THE DEMONSTRATION WAS IN PROGRESS AND NOW THEY REALIZE THAT NEITHER THE U.S. NOR ANY OTHER COUNTRY WILL INVOLVE ITSELF IN EXTRICATING WHITES FROM ANGOLA UNLESS AND UNTIL THE PORTUGUESE GOVERNMENT REQUESTS AID OR THERE IS A RACIAL BLOODBATH IN FULL PROGRESS AND THE PORTUGUESE HAVE LOST THE LAST VESTIGES OF THEIR ONLY NOMINAL CONTROL.

2. IF ALL WHITES HERE WERE OFFERED FREE PASSAGE TO LISBON PROVIDED THEY PRESENTED THEMSELVES AT THE AIRPORT WITHIN THREE HOURS WITH ONLY ONE SUITCASE, PERHAPS ONE PERCENT WOULD ACCEPT. WHILE WHITES - LIKE BLACKS - ARE SERIOUSLY WORRIED ABOUT THEIR PERSONAL SAFETY, THEY DON'T THINK THE REAL CRUNCH WILL COME UNTIL MUCH CLOSER TO INDEPENDENCE. THEY ARE STILL MORE CONCERNED ABOUT

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EXCHANGING THEIR ANGOLAN ESCUDOS AND SHIPPING OUT CARS AND

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3. COMMENT: THE WHITES' WILLINGNESS TO STICK IT OUT UNTIL
CLOSE TO INDEPENDENCE MAY BE A MISTAKE. THERE ARE OMINOUS
HINTS (SEPTTEL FOLLOWS) THAT THE PORTUGUESE ARMY, UNABLE AND
UNWILLING TO MAINTAIN ORDER, MAY CHUCK IT ALL OVER AND LEAVE
AHEAD OF SCHEDULE.

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